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Docket No.: 53208USA1A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas L. Wood
Serial No.: 08/806,186
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PERFORATED TAPE ROLL

Group Art Unit: 1314

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated December 9, 1997 and the cited references have been reviewed and, in view of the amendments and the failure of the prior art, Applicant submits that all of the claims are in allowable condition. Claims 1-11 are currently pending. Claim 10 is allowed.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 2-9 and cancel claims 1 and 11 as follows:

2. (Amended) The roll of tape of claim [1] ~~10~~ wherein [the tape is wrapped into a roll with] the outermost sheet [having] has a free, leading edge and a trailing end defined by a line of perforations, wherein the outermost sheet covers all of the lines of perforations.